

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LA PAZ

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9702

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EO 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PINS, BL

SUBJ: POLITICAL PRISONERS

REF: LA PAZ 2413

1. IN APRIL 24 PRESS CONFERENCE MININTERIOR ARCE CONFIRMED THE APRIL 24 EXILE TO PARAGUAY OF 20 MAN AND MNRI " POLITICIANS" AND FSB, MNR, AND MPC " DISSIDENTS" FOR BEING " DISUNIFYING INFLUENCES WITHIN THE BOLIVIAN FAMILY." FACTORY WORKERS' LEGAL ADVISER SORIA DIAZ WAS AMONG THOSE DEPORTED, BUT EX- MINLABOR AND PRESENT PRESIDENT OF EL DIARIO ROLON ANAYA WAS RELEASED. ACCORDING TO A MININFO RELEASE, ROLON ANAYA AND ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE PRESS WERE RELEASED " BECAUSE OF PRESIDENT BANZER' S GREAT RESPECT FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS." EL DIARIO PUBLISHED ITS APPRECIATION TO PRESIDENT BANZER, FONMIN GUTIERREZ AND FONMIN ARCE FOR HAVING GRANTED ROLON ANAYA' S RELEASE.

2. MAN CHIEF GONZALO ROMERO HAS THUS FAR ESCAPED ARREST AND APPARENTLY REMAINS IN HIDING. WHEN ASKED ABOUT HIS CASE MININTERIOR ARCE REMARKED THAT HE PERSONALLY HAD NOT ORDERED ROMERO' S ARREST, BUT THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT HIS HOUSE HAD BEEN RAIDED.

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COMMENT:

3. WE UNDERSTAND ARREST AND DEPORTATION VARIOUS OFFICERS OF MAN  
FOLLOWED ACCUSATIONS THEY WERE INVOLVED IN CONSPIRATORIAL ACTIVI-  
TIES. GOB APPARENTLY TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION TO DEPORT  
OTHER " IRRITATING INFLUENCES" WITHIN OTHER PARTIES.  
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